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IN'RE APPLICATION OF: MICHAEL S. FOSTER *ET AL.*

APPLICATION No.: 10/046,572

FILED: OCTOBER 26, 2001

FOR: **METHOD AND SYSTEMS FOR
INTERSWITCH DEADLOCK AVOIDANCE
IN COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK**

EXAMINER: JASON R. MATTIS

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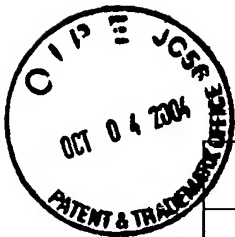
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Sir:

The present communication responds to the Office Action dated June 4, 2004 in the above-identified application. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 8.

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Total Claims	38	- 41 =	0	x	
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Dated: October 4, 2004

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